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Murray and St. George Schools kick off Bus Retrofit Projects

WHAT: Murray School District and Washington County School District, are among the first districts in the state to begin the process of retrofitting diesel-powered school buses with pollution control devices with grants provided by community, state and federal partners to help improve air quality.

WHEN: 10 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 17, 2008 Photo opportunity available of bus retrofits in action.

WHERE: Horizon Elementary School, 5180 S. 700 West (Glendon Street), Murray Washington County School District bus garage, 855 E. Brigham Road, St. George

WHO: Salt Lake County:

Bill Sinclair, acting executive director, Utah Department of Environmental Quality Murrell Martin, Utah State Office of Education Cummins Rocky Mountain, retrofit vendor

Washington County: Dave Heaton, Southwest District Health Department Instrument Sales and Service, retrofit vendor

WHY: About 22 school districts have applied for grants that total an anticipated \$2.39 million to begin installing a diesel oxidation catalyst and closed crankcase ventilation systems, intended to reduce tailpipe emissions that capture pollutants. This event kicks off the installation of such devices from the approved vendors.

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